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Date

June 25, 2004

Joanne Bourguignon

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Robert Alan Cochran and Harald Burose
Application No.: 09/687,130
Filed: October 12, 2000
Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR IMPROVING LUN-BASED
BACKUP RELIABILITY

Docket No.: 10992807-1

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AMENDMENT

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Sir:

In response to the Office Action date March 25, 2004, please amend the application as follows:



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Inventor(s): Robert A. Cochran et al.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- (X) Response/Amendment () Petition to extend time to respond
() New fee as calculated below () Supplemental Declaration
(X) No additional fee
() Other: _____ (fee \$ _____)

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY | | | | | | |
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| (1) FOR | (2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | (3) NUMBER EXTRA | (4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | (5) PRESENT EXTRA | (6) RATE | (7) ADDITIONAL FEES |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 30 | MINUS | 30 | = 0 | X \$18 | \$ 0 |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | 5 | MINUS | 5 | = 0 | X \$86 | \$ 0 |
| [] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | | | + \$280 | \$ 0 |
| EXTENSION FEE | 1ST MONTH \$110.00 | 2ND MONTH \$420.00 | 3RD MONTH \$950.00 | 4TH MONTH \$1480.00 | | \$ 0 |
| OTHER FEES | | | | | | \$ |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | | | | | \$ 0 |

Charge \$ 0 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

Robert A. Cochran et al.

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